



ICO NEWSLETTER

February 2013

Table Games

Newly approved table games: All six games that were in field trial during the last quarter of 2012 were approved by the Colorado Gaming Commission at the December Commission meeting. These new games are: Straight Jack, Straight Jack Progressive, Royal Match 21 and the progressive version of the same games Royal 21 Poker, Craps Free Craps and Lucky Ladies. The rules for these games become effective as of February 15, 2013.



Field trial procedures: Because of the changes in the rule making process, we anticipate having to alter our procedures as they relate to field trials. Currently, we release new field trials at the start of each quarter. We have 180 days to get the game field trialed and through the Commission approval process. The new rule making procedures will make it difficult to complete this process in 180 days, so changes to our procedures will be necessary. Sean Ballain will be sure to update everyone with our new procedures once the changes have been made.

With questions, concerns or topics you would like addressed in upcoming ICO Newsletters regarding table games, please contact Sean Ballain at 303-582-0529 or by email at sean.ballain@state.co.us.

Match play coupons: There has been some confusion regarding how much a patron can wager when (s)he use a match play coupon. When a patron uses a match play coupon, (s)he must wager at least the amount stated on the coupon but can wager more if they desire. Because house policies will vary, casinos utilizing match play coupons should include in their house rules if they will be allowing patrons to wager more than the face value of the match play coupon.

Rule change requests: Please remember when submitting a rule change request that letters of support from other casinos must be included. Ideally, we would like to see at least three letters of support included in each submission. Central City/Black Hawk casinos would need to include at least one letter from a casino in Cripple Creek and Cripple Creek casinos would need to include at least one letter from a casino in Central City/Black Hawk.

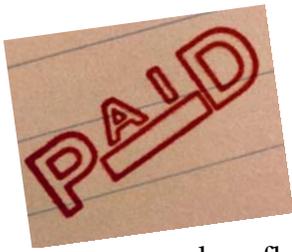
Rule making process: The Department of Revenue has enacted changes in the rule making process that will affect the Division of Gaming. One change to the process will, most likely, lengthen how long it takes to get new rules and/or rule changes approved.

Gambling Payment Intercept (GPI) Mandatory Training

As a result of the GPI CORs performed by the Division's Audit Section, the Section will be presenting GPI training for the Industry. It is mandatory that AT LEAST ONE individual per casino attend this training; it is highly recommended that several individuals attend, including the Administrator, Searcher(s) and Payor. In an effort to accommodate attendance by several key employees, we have scheduled two sessions in Golden and two sessions in Cripple Creek. The dates and locations are as follows:

**Tuesday, February 26 10:00 am and 1:30 pm
Golden Commission Room**

**Wednesday, February 27 10:00 am and 1:30 pm
Cripple Creek Commission Room**



Changes to GPI Fees!

Pursuant to changes made effective November 14, 2012, the fee structure for intercepts has been corrected to properly reflect the new \$30 fee (increased from \$15) retained by the casino performing the search. This change becomes effective on February 5, 2013. Thank you for your patience!

As you are aware, the fees currently in effect include a \$10 “portal administration fee”. Effective May 15, 2013, this fee will be eliminated.

Licensing Applications

Licensing applications may be submitted in person at the Golden, Central City or Cripple Creek Gaming offices or may be mailed to the Golden office. The



Division will not accept applications that are being submitted on an applicant’s behalf. Additionally, please be certain that your Gaming Support and Key License Applications are current and up-to-date. These forms are available on the Division’s website.

ICMP Update

As recommended by many of you, the Division has posted the ICMP in one searchable document on our website. Check it out!!

<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1213781235251&pagename=Rev-Gaming%2FRGMLayout>

* Reminder *

The Colorado Division of Gaming adopted a new email service provider. As a result, all Division email addresses have changed. Please continue to email your usual Division correspondence to the NEW Colorado Casinos email address at: dor_coloradocasinos@state.co.us

Standard Financial Statements

The Division’s EZ File System has been updated to allow for the filing of the 2012 Standard Financial Statements. Please remember these statements are due by midnight, Friday, March 15, 2013.

There have been no changes to the format from last year. There are a few reminders, however. While you are reviewing your statements, if you see an unusual fluctuation, please provide explanations in the input areas provided for the description of Other Departmental Expenses for the department(s) with the unusual fluctuation or send an email to dor_coloradocasinos@state.co.us. Likewise, if there is an unusual relationship between payroll expenses and the number of employees compared to the prior year submission, provide an explanation.

Please review pages 10 and 16 of the E-Z File Standard Financial Statement Manual located on the Division’s website at: <http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1213781235672&pagename=Rev-Gaming%2FRGMLayout>, which define Give-Away items, Promotional Allowances and Casino Gaming Revenues. For comparability, make sure that Give-Aways, as defined on page 10, are included on the “Give-Away Items” line on Schedule B-1 and are not treated as a reduction of Casino Gaming Revenue and that Promotional Allowances only include the retail value of complimentary for retail outlets such as restaurants, bars, hotels and gift shop.

Also, review the requirements for the schedules in Section C, Statement of Cash Flows, paying particular attention to cross references provided.



UPCOMING ICO MEETINGS

The upcoming ICO meetings will be held in May, 2013. You are encouraged to submit any questions or topics of discussion you would like addressed, either by the Division or your fellow ICOs. Please call or email your questions or topics to:

Roger Pinson (303) 205-1372, roger.pinson@state.co.us,
Laurie Scott (719) 689-3362, laurie.scott@state.co.us,
Allison Tauchen (303) 205-1304, allison.tauchen@state.co.us.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

ICO Meetings

Tuesday, May 7, 2013 – Cripple Creek, in Wildwood Casino's Teller Room, 10:00 am

Wednesday, May 8, 2013 – Central City/Black Hawk, location TBD at 10:00 am

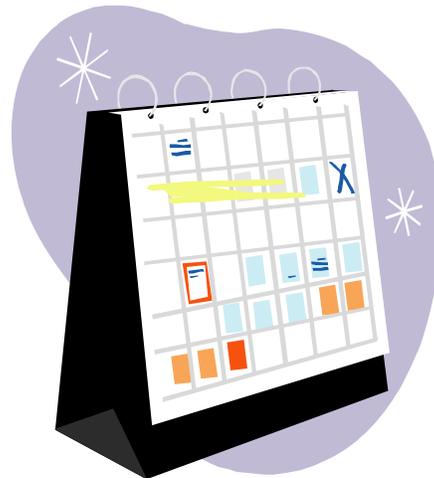
Mandatory GPI Training

Tuesday, February 26, 2013 – Golden Commission Room, 10:00 am AND 1:30 pm

Wednesday, February 27, 2013 – Cripple Creek Commission Room, 10:00 am AND 1:30 pm

Commission Meeting Dates:

- Thursday, February 21, 2013, in Golden
- Thursday, March 21, 2013, in Golden
- Thursday, April 18, 2013, in Golden
- Thursday, May 16, 2013, in Golden
- Thursday, June 20, 2013, in Golden
- Thursday, July 18, 2013, in Golden
- Thursday, August 22, 2013, in Golden
- Thursday, September 19, 2013, in Cripple Creek
- Thursday, October 17, 2013, in Central City
- Thursday, November 21, 2013, in Golden
- Thursday, December 19, 2013, in Golden



Note: Location is subject to change

USEFUL WEBSITES:

The Drop & Count Schedule, Minimum Bankroll Worksheet, and Tax Template are located at:

<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/Rev-Gaming/RGM/1213781235251>

ICO checklist and attribute worksheets: (Please note that these were updated on January 15, 2013)

<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/Rev-Gaming/RGM/1213781235682>

License Applications:

<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1213781235341&pagename=Rev-Gaming%2FRGMLayout>

ICMPs:

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